



profiles of HIRDLS and  
 measurements between Jan 05 –  
 +/-1 standard deviation of  
 measurements. Left – the mean  
 measurements. Dashed lines  
 show the differences between

longitudinal variation  
 datasets. In particular,  
 HIRDLS is lower than ECMWF  
 tropopause, and  
 it has been reported that  
 HIRDLS has a bias around the  
 tropopause region, which  
 improved after the upgrade of Feb  
 2007. The reported bias  
 is larger than the observed  
 differences,  
 HIRDLS may also have  
 a bias.

In this comparison, the data was  
 profile, and the difference pro  
 periods to produce average di

- Figure 4 shows the global  
 difference between HIRDLS  
 for the period between Feb  
 March 2007 (239 days).
  - HIRDLS is on average  
 lower than ECMWF between ~90 -  
 differences occur in sp  
 time periods.
  - HIRDLS is lower than ECMWF  
 the ozone peak, but  
 higher values above  
 (although this is not  
 consistent with other per
  - HIRDLS profiles are often  
 below ~100 hPa in the  
 altitudes than this at hi